

TIERNAN TELLS HOW POULIN GRADUALLY STOLE HIS WIFE'S LOVE

CHARGES MEETINGS IN SECRET

Crowd Boos Poulin As He Enters Court—Galleries Mainly Filled by Women.

By Universal Service.
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 21.—Barred from testifying directly regarding the disputed paternity of the child that bears his name, Prof. John P. Tiernan late yesterday related the alleged confession which Harry Poulin, his former boon companion, made to him two months after the child's birth.

Tiernan Tells Story.
"I said, 'Harry, Gus has told me everything,' and he said, 'Yes, it's all true, but let's be friends, John.' I said, 'No, we'll always be bitter enemies.' Prof. Tiernan said, his voice and face betraying the agony which racked his mind.

He gulped as he continued, almost in a whisper: "Mr. Poulin wanted to know how much I would settle for, and I said it would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$200. Mrs. Tiernan, however, would have to decide that, as she knew more about the bills."

Asked what Poulin replied, Tiernan continued: "He said, 'Give me twenty-four hours to think it over,' and he agreed to meet me at the same time and place the next day."

"In view of the situation and my position, I told him he would have to recognize the child. But he only repeated that he would see me the next day."

"I can't remember the exact conversation—I was too excited. It was the most exciting day of my whole life."

Poulin, Prof. Tiernan said, never kept the rendezvous.

"I never heard from him again, but meanwhile he engaged an attorney, who called up my home and informed Mrs. Tiernan that—"

Court Upholds Objection.

Attorneys for the defense objected to the testimony and were upheld by the court.

Under an old Indiana law the husband's testimony is barred when the right to testify as to her child's paternity is granted the wife. The point was argued for hours by the prosecution, seeking to obtain Professor Tiernan's affirmation of his wife's story that they had lived apart during the ninth and tenth months preceding the birth of her son.

Instead, Professor Tiernan charted the course of the alleged romance between his wife and Poulin as he had unsuspectingly observed it, from such innocent manifestation as a maneuvering for adjacent seats at

POULIN HISSSED BY SPECTATORS



Spectators, who crowded the courtroom at South Bend, Ind., yesterday to hear the Tiernan-Poulin paternity suit, hissed and booed when Harry Poulin, rich young haberdasher, alleged to be the father of a baby born to Mrs. Augusta Tiernan, wife of a Notre Dame University professor, entered the room. Left to right in the above courtroom scene are Prosecuting Attorney Jellison, Mrs. Tiernan, Attorney Schwartz, and Poulin.

theater parties and casual carousals to that ominous occasion after the birth of the child when Poulin declined to extend his congratulations to the Tiernans.

Tiernan's astonishment at Poulin's attitude when he told him that there was a new baby in his home was dramatically related by Professor Tiernan.

Offered No Comment.
"It was the day after the young star was born," said the professor, "That was November 29 of last year. I was about to board a street car when I saw Poulin crossing a little distance away. I hailed him and he stopped."

"We have a new baby at our house, I told him. He said excitedly, 'Is it a boy or a girl?' I said, 'A boy.' He hung his head and walked away. Never said a word."

"He never congratulated you at all," queried counsel.

"No, not a word," faltered the witness.

There was a striking contrast in the poise and manner of the two men—rivals for the truant love of a woman—the man who lost and the man who won.

The husband presented an abject figure as he nervously moved about in the witness chair. His face was white and gaunt, furrowed lines of care. His fingers played restlessly over his face. He appeared dazed and his voice faltered, as though his brilliant, incisive, scholastic mind was functioning laboriously. At times the court would wait for several seemingly interminable moments for him to answer questions that might readily have been answered with a simple "yes" or "no."

He encountered much difficulty

in framing his mouth to pronounce Poulin's name, despite the numerous times he was forced to speak it in testifying, recounting the cycle of social events during which his wife and Poulin were thrown together.

Poulin was the personal conductor of the social gaieties in which the two households delighted.

"Mr. Poulin invited Mrs. Tiernan and she invited me," Prof. Tiernan said was the manner in which these affairs were arranged.

"For example, we had a picnic at Berrien Lake in August last year," the savant narrated slowly. "Poulin acted as cook, my wife as his assistant. She was with him constantly. Poulin went around the group of ladies once, kissing them all, including Mrs. Tiernan. They went bathing that day before I arrived. My wife wore a bathing suit that Poulin had given her. I had given her the money with which to purchase it but she had spent it in other ways."

The ratio of one dance for himself to every four granted Poulin was the best arrangement the professor was ever able to make at the numerous program dances they attended together, he said.

"Going to a dance at Elkhart that spring," recounted the professor, "I helped Mrs. Tiernan into the back seat of one of the automobiles. Poulin clambered in beside her and I was forced to ride in another car."

Professor Left Out.
"When we four went to the Blackstone Theater to attend a show one time that season, Mrs. Poulin went first down the aisle, Poulin hurried along after, escorting my wife, and left me the outside seat by myself on the aisle."

"Mrs. Tiernan appeared to take delight in preparing Poulin's favorite dishes when the Poulins were guests at our house for dinner."

Asked what some of these dishes were, Prof. Tiernan replied: "A glass of cream, he liked that, and there was a special sandwich which she always made up for him. While she was serving him once he stroked her arm with a caress and said, 'That's the stuff.'"

Between the alleged secret meetings between the pair became the custom, their outward evidences of affection toward each other were evidently suppressed, according to Tiernan. His suspicions were never aroused, he said, August 1921.

Poulin was dressed immaculately, just the proper portion of a silk handkerchief peeping out of the clothier's breast pocket. Tiernan's worn blue suit was unpressed and his hair disheveled. The packed gallery assumed the roles of taleman and for the first time broke out in partisan demonstrations.

At the commencement of both morning and afternoon hearings yesterday Poulin was greeted with hisses and booing and the audience applauded when the State scored a legal point.

Judge Chester Ducomb threatened several times to clear the galleries, composed mainly of women who had apparently come in quest of vicarious thrill from the testimony.

Today

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news that the kaiser is to marry a widow with five children. This means, according to Berlin, that the kaiser has given up all hope of getting back his throne and intends, lacking a throne, to make himself comfortable.

Naturally the kaiser wants somebody to whom he can tell every day how great he used to be. What the lady will get out of it is hard to see, except that her name will be mentioned in all German churches in which prayers are still offered for the royal family.

The New York Central railroad has settled with its workmen, ignoring the Labor Board. The management of the Central is intelligent. It knows that you can hire men, but can't hire good will. The good will should be secured by treating men fairly, and NOT cheating them out of their seniority rights. That won't pay in the long run. Other days and other strikes will come. And when they come, railroads may not find themselves in the saddle as they do just now. Capital, that can afford the best advisers, should be wise and moderate.

The case of Webster Churchill, colored, indicted for the murder of William, alias "Dunk" Dade, colored, is being tried in the Corporation Court today. Churchill is represented by Attorney Robert Thomas and Commonwealth's Attorney Howard W. Smith is conducting the prosecution.

The work of grading the Little River Turnpike, between Alexandria and Fairfax courthouse, has been completed. It is hoped the entire road will be completed before winter sets in.

The Episcopal High School, west of this city, reopened last night with an increased attendance over that of last year.

The Alexandria Garage Corporation has broken ground for its new two-story garage building.

Attorney Frank Stuart is reported in Garfield Hospital, Washington, seriously ill.

"Preparing for the Harvest" was the subject of a sermon delivered by the Rev. Robert Browne at the Methodist Protestant Church last night.

At the First Baptist Church last evening the Rev. E. B. Jackson delivered a sermon on "The Taming of the Most Destructive Beast in the World."

A meeting of the Golden Links Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church South will be held at the home of Mrs. Spinks tonight.

In the corporation court yesterday, in the case of James W. Lucas, colored, indicted in connection with the running down and killing of Clarence Woodyard by an automobile, Judge Moncure sustained a demurrer to the indictment. Lucas will be reindicted.

WOMAN SCALPED BY PET BEAR AND HUSBAND HURT
NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario, Sept. 21.—Hartley F. Upper, hawker, and his wife are in a hospital here severely injured after an encounter with a big pet bear kept on the farm of F. Kaylor in Stamford township.

Mrs. Upper, who is the most seriously injured, had her scalp torn completely off. The Upperes drove out on a visit and Mrs. Upper stayed outside, near the bear, which was tethered by a chain. It broke the chain and sprang on Mrs. Upper, mauling her and tearing clothes and flesh.

Hearing her screams, Mr. Upper rushed to her aid and the bear turned on him, allowing Mrs. Upper to crawl into the house. Mr. Upper was also badly mauled and had his leg broken before the bear was shot.

Takes His Post in Uruguay.
Hoffman Phillip, the new American minister to Uruguay, has presented his credentials, the State Department was advised today.

POLITICS FIRST AS SESSION OF CONGRESS ENDS

Fountains of Oratory Break Forth As Leaders Tell About Parties.

By WILLIAM K. HUTCHINSON, International News Service.

National political issues were haled into the limelight today as the present session of Congress moved slowly to its end.

With the hour of Congressional demise fixed for 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, party leaders rallied their ranks for the impending battle to gain control of the next Congress.

Both Republican and Democratic leaders made the usual claims of victory, and in both House and Senate last-minute political speeches were to be the rule rather than concerted effort to enact more legislation.

Claims in Conflict.

Conflicting claims of pending victory were made by Senator Curtis (Rep.) of Kansas, Republican "whip" in the Senate, and Senator Walsh (Dem.) of Massachusetts, chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Committee.

"From the results of the primary elections, it seems apparent the House will be largely Republican again and the Republican party will retain its present majority in the Senate," Curtis said.

"Disenfranchisement in the Republican ranks against the Harding Administration is certain to result in a tremendous increase in Democratic votes," said Walsh. "The House is certain to be Democratic, and the Senate will be a substantial increase in the Democratic ranks of the Senate."

The tariff bill, it was admitted by both sides, will be the dominating issue from a national standpoint in November. The bonus, because of the split between party leaders and party followers, will not be a bipartisan issue, but in many instances bonus advocates will fight the re-election of anti-bonus men regardless of party.

Senate Fairly Busy.
While politics swayed Congressional thought today, the Senate was to sweep out its legislative shelves. A deficiency appropriation bill was the principal measure awaiting final passage. The House meanwhile marked time, awaiting the hour of adjournment. The joint resolution, providing for the adjournment "sine die," has already passed the House but must yet be passed by the Senate.

Administration leaders planned to stage an anticlimax to the bonus fight in the Senate before adjournment by introduction of the Dyer anti-lynching bill. Its appearance on the floor for debate, it was said, would be the signal for a wholesale re-election of the Senate by Democrats. Their action was expected to result in adjournment without a vote on the bill.

Indications today pointed to a special session about November 14 by call of the President, for consideration of the Harding-Lasker ship subsidy bill. It was pointed out that the McNary reclamation bill has the right of way in the December session and both measures cannot be enacted at the short term. If the special session were not called in November, leaders said, another session would have to be ordered next March to clean up necessary administration measures and appropriation bills. For this reason, leaders favored the November return.

PREACHER HAS BASEBALL 20 PLAYERS AUTOGRAPHED
CHANUTE, Kan., Sept. 21.—Chanute's most ardent baseball fan—the Rev. R. Y. Barber, rector of the Grace Episcopal Church—is the proud possessor of a baseball which is covered with the signatures of twenty well-known stars of the diamond. Topping the various signatures is that of Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, national baseball commissioner.

While the Rev. Barber was vacationing this summer he attended several games at Chicago, in which the Cubs were contestants. Through courtesy of one of the club officials the minister was permitted to enter the clubhouse in quest of signatures for his spheroidal souvenir.

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HUERTA EXPLAINS DEAL MADE WITH U. S. BANKERS
MEXICO CITY, Sept. 21.—The Senate last night cross-examined Minister of Finance Adolfo de La Huerta for three hours on the agreement he had made with a group of international bankers in New York City several months ago.

De La Huerta explained in detail every point of the agreement, the quizzing ending in the Senators warmly congratulating the finance minister for his achievements along that line.

It is expected that the agreement will receive unanimous ratification at this afternoon's session of the Senate.

NEEDLE NEAR HEART IS REMOVED FROM BOY
NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Saved from death by an operation in which a part of a needle was removed from the pleural cavity, a hair's breadth from the heart, William Constable, twelve-year-old schoolboy, has been discharged as cured from Roosevelt Hospital.

Dr. Henry W. Cavanaugh, who performed the operation, said the lad, who is known as "Dimples Willie," would be none the worse for his experience. The needle became imbedded in the boy's stomach, when he jumped from a man auto truck.

MONTGOMERY CANNING CLUBS IN BIG CONTEST

Girls to Try for Place on Group to Demonstrate Art in France.

Special to The Washington Times.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Sept. 21.—According to Mrs. Eugene Scott, chairman of the home economics committee of the Montgomery County Federation of Women's Clubs, one of the girls' canning clubs of the county will probably be a contestant for the European trip offered by the American Committee for Devastated France, New York city.

On condition that the winners of first and second prizes shall spend eight weeks demonstrating to devastated France our methods of canning, under the supervision of the American committee, co-operating with the French ministry of agriculture, the American committee will defray all expenses of the trip for the four girls and three leaders who make the best records at the South-eastern States Exposition, to be held in October at Atlanta, Ga., and the National Exposition to be held in Chicago in November.

In order to be a member of a contesting club, each girl must have canned 100 containers since May 1, must have been a member of a successful canning club for at least one year and must be not less than sixteen years of age. Several of the county clubs are said to be eligible.

After the visit of the American team to France, it is planned to have the team spend a month in Spain, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Holland and Great Britain.

As a preliminary to reassessing real and personal property in Montgomery county, as directed by the State tax commission, a joint meeting of the recently-appointed assessors, the county commissioners and the county supervisor of assessments was held in the court house here yesterday. It was addressed by M. J. Lindamy, State director of the supervisors of assessments. The assessors were told what the State tax commission expects of them in the performance of their work.

The present taxable basis of the county is around \$33,000,000 and if the new assessment brings the total up to \$40,000,000 it will be fully up to expectations.

The reassessment work is expected to be started within the next few weeks. It is not thought, however, that it will be completed in time for the annual levy next June.

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